



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, Idaho faces critical teacher shortages in several geographic and subject areas; and

WHEREAS, teacher shortages have the potential to negatively impact the quality of education for every child in Idaho and the quality of life for every Idahoan; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho State Board of Education officially adopted an innovative and high-quality program for recruiting and certifying talented mid-career professionals into the teaching profession; and

WHEREAS, the American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE) has effectively implemented the program, recruiting more than 600 Idahoans to pursue new careers in teaching; and

WHEREAS, research demonstrates that teachers certified through the ABCTE process are highly effective in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, ABCTE has implemented cutting-edge teacher recruitment strategies and invested more than \$100,000 toward recruiting teachers for Idaho schools over the past two years, at no cost to the state, and

WHEREAS, ABCTE will hold the state's first "You Can Teach: Improve Our Future" conference in Boise on March 17, 2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim March 16, 2007 to be

CELEBRATING ABCTE-CERTIFIED TEACHERS DAY

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 15th day of March in the year of our Lord two-thousand and seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-first and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred seventeenth.

A blue ink signature of C.L. "Butch" Otter is written over a large, faint "COPY" watermark. The signature is stylized and cursive.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A blue ink signature of Ben Ysursa is written over a large, faint "COPY" watermark. The signature is stylized and cursive.

BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE